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Watchful Citizen, swift Patrol, and undercover Detectives team up to capture home burglars

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On December 5th, shortly before 1:00 p.m., La Porte Police Dispatch received a call from a local resident concerned with two unknown females standing outside of a nearby residence in the 600 block of La Porte's South Iowa Street. Responding Patrol Officers, as well as a set of undercover detectives in the area on another matter, quickly responded to the area, and while one female was detained in the alleyway behind the residence, the other was observed by a canvassing patrolman as she stashed a bag in a nearby wood line. When the pair of females was brought together, and the abandoned bag collected, it was discovered that several items had been stolen from the unoccupied house.

As a result of the quick capture, 18 year old H/F Jessica Deleon of La Porte, and 21 year old H/F Amber Flores of Pasadena were soon after charged with Burglary of a Habitation, a Second Degree felony which carries an imprisonment range spanning from 2-20 years, a potential fine of up to \$10,000, or, if eligible for probation, 180 days in County jail with up 10 years of supervised probation.

Supplemental LPPD investigation revealed DeLeon as being a niece of the victim homeowner, and that she had previously resided at the burglarized home.



Jessica DeLeon 03/10/1994



Amber Flores 05/15/1991